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Human Relations Commission Recognizes Human Rights Day

(Bel Air, MD) - - On Tuesday, December 17, 2013 Harford County Executive David R. Craig and members of the Harford County Council will issue a joint proclamation in honor of Human Rights Day. County leaders plan to observe the event during the council meeting.

The Harford County Human Relations Commission joins with them and others worldwide in celebrating International Human Rights Day. The Commission encourages residents to remember those yet unable to enjoy basic freedoms.

This year marks the 65th anniversary of the issuance of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights by the General Assembly of the United Nations (UN). The Declaration says "respect for human rights and human modesty is the pillar of freedom, peace and justice in the world."

In 1950 the United Nations asked its members to commemorate World Human Rights Day on December 10 every year. Cultural and civic events are held to emphasize and celebrate human rights. This year the event was rescheduled from December 10 to December 17 due to inclement weather.

The Harford County Human Relations Commission is a 15 member volunteer advisory board appointed by the County Executive with the approval of the County Council. Members serve with the County Executive representing all of the County's population.

If you would like more information please contact the Office of Human Relations at 410-638-4739 or humanrelations@harfordcountymd.gov.

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